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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6307

BILL NUMBER: SB 59

NOTE PREPARED: Nov 20, 2007

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Legislative Gift Reports.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Delph

As Introduced

BILL STATUS:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X

**GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL**

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill reduces from \$100 to \$25 the minimum reportable amount for: (1) the total daily gifts to a legislator or a legislative employee given by a registered lobbyist; or (2) a single gift received by a legislator or legislative candidate.

Effective Date: July 1, 2008.

Explanation of State Expenditures: This bill will increase the expenditures of the Lobby Registration Commission (LRC). It is estimated that provisions of this bill could be implemented within existing level of staff and resources. The increase in expenditures would be a direct result of the increase in the number of reportable gifts by reducing the minimum reportable amount from \$100 to \$25.

The LRC is responsible for creating the forms for reporting gifts to legislators. The LRC is also required to prepare, publish, index, and make these reports available for public inspection. By decreasing the minimum reporting amount as provided in this bill, the LRC will have to spend more time and money compiling these reports, and will also have to amend the forms for reporting these gifts. According to the November 19, 2007, state staffing table, the LRC had no vacant positions. In FY 2007, the LRC reverted \$174 to the state General Fund.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Lobby Registration Commission.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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